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SMOKE ADVISORY

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Victorville – The Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District has issued a Smoke Advisory for the **Victor Valley and surrounding communities**. Changing weather and fire conditions will determine which areas of the High Desert are affected.

Smoke from the Sand Fire currently burning in the Santa Clarita mountains near the 14 Freeway could impact air quality in these areas.

If you see or smell smoke in the air where you are, be cautious and use common sense to protect your family's health. Everyone – especially people with heart or lung disease, older adults and children – should limit time spent outdoors and avoid outdoor exercise when smoke is in the area. Use your air conditioning system and place in recirculation mode, if available. If you have symptoms of lung or heart disease that may be related to exposure to smoke and particles, including repeated coughing, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, wheezing, chest tightness or pain, contact your health care provider.

Levels of smoke and particles will depend on changes in winds and the containment of the fire. This advisory will be in effect as long as conditions warrant.

The MDAQMD is the local air quality management agency for the High Desert Portion of San Bernardino County and the Palo Verde Valley of Riverside County. To sign up for *EnviroFlash*, the MDAQMD's automated e-mail forecast service, visit www.mdaqmd.ca.gov.